

SENATE BILL 2152

By Tate

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 20,
relative to service of process.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 20, Chapter 2, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) The administrative office of the courts (AOC) shall create an application to become a registered process server for the courts of this state. The form shall be made available on the AOC web site and may be submitted by mail or in person.

(b) Upon receiving a completed application, the AOC shall provide a registration number to any person who:

- (1) Seeks to serve process for the courts of this state; and
- (2) Is not less than eighteen (18) years of age;

(c) Beginning January 1, 2015, a process server shall be identified by name, address, and registration number on the return for any process served.

(d) Upon registering with the AOC, a process server shall be required to pay a one-time registration fee to be set by the administrative office of the courts and used to cover the expenses of registration.

(e) A registered process server shall update the server's contact information with the AOC within thirty (30) days of any change.

SECTION 2. The administrative office of the courts is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate the purposes of this act. All such rules and regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 5.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.